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Volunteers in Action

TRAINING SCHOOLS



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DO YOU

Want to share an interest . . .

give something of yourself to another . . .

Wish to do something worthwhile . . .

Want an opportunity for personal growth . . .

Wish to give a direct personal service . . .

Want a challenge which is interesting . . .

enjoyable . . .

provides new social contacts . . .

Wish to expand your knowledge . . . ???

THEN

We believe that you can find rewarding involvement as a Volunteer in corrections.



HOW

You can become involved in the programs of one of Ontario's training schools, where children and teenagers are sent by the Provincial Court (Family Division) for a period of training and treatment designed to meet the child's basic physical, social, emotional and intellectual needs.

WHY

We feel it is important for those in our care to have contact with persons like yourself who have accepted the normal values of society. We realize that you and others like you in the community have skills and qualities to offer which, harnessed, will greatly enrich our programs and will compliment the work of our staff. A partnership between our staff and the volunteer community will ensure that young people in training school are not isolated from the larger community to which they must return and in which they must function. It will increase the possibility of our providing a program designed to encourage those children in our care to lead useful, productive, acceptable lives.

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THE CHILD IN TRAINING SCHOOL

Young people in training schools are just like other youngsters we meet every day but who in some area of their lives have been unable to meet the demands and pressure of modern day living. The child in training school is not a problem person, but a person with problems. He needs help, attention and affection to overcome these problems. With your understanding and support he can learn to measure up to the expectations of society.

WE

try to provide programs to achieve this, but programming cannot be tailor-made to meet the exact needs of every youngster. You may well have the skill, interest or personality we are seeking to meet the individual needs of one or of a group of young persons in our care.

OPPORTUNITIES

for volunteer service in our training school programs are many and too diverse to list. They range from one-to-one relationships through group discussion to entertainment, tutoring, life skills counseling and work with families in the community.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED

in helping a child or teenager become a success in the community, we invite you to write to:

Coordinator
Volunteer Programs
Ministry of Correctional Services
434 University Avenue
Toronto, Ontario
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and in our reply we will tell you whom to contact in your area.

